a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday-Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available by writing to Charles M. Rice, INEEL Citizens' Advisory Board Chair, 477 Shoup Ave., Suite 205, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83402 or by calling Wendy Green Lowe, the Board Facilitator, at (208) 522–1662.

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Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Secretary of Energy Advisory Board Notice of Open Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy.
SUMMARY: Consistent with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 86 Stat. 770), notice is hereby given of the following advisory committee meeting: Name: Secretary of Energy Advisory Board—Laboratory Operations Board Date and Time: Thursday, March 11, 1999, 12:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. Place: The Sphinx Club at Almas Temple, Oasis Room, 1315 K Street, NW, Washington DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Richard C. Burrow, Secretary of Energy

Advisory Board (AB-1), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-1709. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the Laboratory Operations Board is to provide advice to the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board regarding the strategic direction of the Department's laboratories, the coordination of budget and policy issues affecting laboratory operations, and the reduction of unnecessary and counterproductive management burdens on the laboratories. The Laboratory Operations Board's goal is to facilitate the productive and cost-effective utilization of the Department's laboratory system and the application of best business practices.

Tentative Agenda

Thursday, March 11, 1999

12:30–12:45 P.M. Opening Remarks— Co-Chairs: E. Moniz & J. McTague 12:45–1:45 P.M. Review of Laboratory Profile Report

1:45–2:15 P.M. Presentation of 1998 Metrics Data

2:15–3:15 P.M. Roadmap and Portfolio Analysis Presentation 3:15–4:15 P.M. Presentation of Case Studies and Discussion of External Members Report on Laboratory Management Structure and Governance

4:15–4:30 P.M. Public Comment Period 4:30 P.M. Adjourn

This tentative agenda is subject to change. A final agenda will be available

at the meeting.

Public Participation: The Chairman of the Laboratory Operations Board is empowered to conduct the meeting in a way which will, in the Chairman's judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business. During its meeting in Washington, DC, the Laboratory Operations Board welcomes public comment. Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting. The Laboratory Operations Board will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. Written comments may be submitted to Skila Harris, **Executive Director, Secretary of Energy** Advisory Board, AB-1, US Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585.

Minutes: Minutes and a transcript of the meeting will be available for public review and copying approximately 30 days following the meeting at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E–190 Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C., between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday except Federal holidays. Information on the Laboratory Operations Board may also be found at the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board's web site, located at http://www.hr.doe.gov/seab.

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Jim Solit,

Advisory Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. 99–4846 Filed 2–25–99; 8:45 am]

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Notice of Competitive Financial Assistance for the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

AGENCY: Department of Energy. **ACTION:** Notice of Amendment to Competitive Financial Assistance Solicitation.

SUMMARY: On December 3, 1998, the Department of Energy issued a notice which announced a competitive solicitation for applications for grants and cooperative agreements for information dissemination, public outreach, training, and related technical

analysis activities involving renewable energy and energy efficiency. The solicitation had two closing dates— January 8, 1999 and March 31, 1999.

The purpose of this announcement is to: (1) Extend the second closing date until April 16, 1999; (2) announce new Program Areas of Interest for competition, which were not contained in the December 3 solicitation; (3) identify Program Areas of Interest contained in the December 3 solicitation (Attachment A) which are being cancelled for the second closing date because funds are expected to be exhausted under the first round of awards; (4) modify certain Program Areas of Interest; and (5) indicate that certain technical amendments will be made to the solicitation. It is estimated that funding of up to \$1 million will be available under renewable energy programs and up to \$1 million will be available under energy conservation programs for awards for project funding in FY 1999 and FY 2000. The anticipated project periods are from six months to three years, and awards are expected by July 1999. Proposals received in response to this solicitation will be subjected to the objective merit review procedures for the Office of **Energy Efficiency and Renewable** Energy.

ADDRESSES: The formal amendment to the solicitation is expected to be issued by early March 1999. It will be available as solicitation number DE-PS01-99EE10649 through the Department of Energy's Business Opportunities at **Headquarters Procurement Services** Homepage located at www.pr.doe.gov/ solicit.html. Interested applicants that do not have Internet access may request a copy of the solicitation by sending a request with a virus-free diskette and self-addressed, stamped, a diskette mailer to U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Headquarters Procurement Services, Attn.: Document Control Specialist, MA-543, 1000 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20585-0121. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Procurement Services, U.S. Department

Contact Ms. Jacqueline Kniskern, MA–542, Office of Headquarters Procurement Services, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585–0121, facsimile number (202) 426–0168, email at *jacqueline.kniskern@hq.doe.gov*. E:mail is the preferred method for submission of comments and/or questions.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy supports the Department of Energy's strategic objectives of increasing the efficiency and